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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT APPLICATION**

Inventor(s): **Girsh Blumberg**  
Case: **5**  
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Filing Date: **April 13, 2004**  
Examiner: **Unknown** Group Art Unit: **Unknown**  
Title: **Plasmon-Enhanced Tapered Optical Fibers**

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)**

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b), the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement, with attached reference(s), is submitted for consideration in the above-identified application.

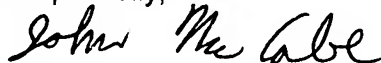
Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

With respect to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3), Applicant notes that foreign-language document WO 01/52329 A1, i.e., attached Reference AL, includes an English abstract.

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	AL	WO 01/52329 A1	7/19/2001	PCT	H01L	31/108	No
	AM	WO 02/095070 A2	11/28/2002	PCT	C12Q	1/68	Yes
	AN	WO 03/019245 A2	3/6/2003	PCT	G02B	5/18	Yes

**OTHER (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)**

	AO	"Learn NSOM" published online at www.Nanonics.co.il by Nanonics Imaging Ltd. prior to April 12, 2004 (4 pages)
	AP	"NSOM System Comparisons" published online at www.Nanonics.co.il by Nanonics Imaging Ltd. prior to April 12, 2004 (11 pages)

\*\*\*References listed beyond AZ would list as AA-1, AB-2, AC-3 thru AZ-26.

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